The member having replied in the affirmative, the Dewan promised to consider the question favourably.

SUBJECT No. 10.

Constitution of Taluk Committees for the selection of cultivable lands.

Messrs. Maralu Siddappa and Siddappa Arsikere Taluk; M. Channabasappa, Arsikere Town Municipality; N. S. Nanjundaiya, H. Boranna and K. Mahadevappa, Hassan Taluk.

Summary of Representation.—It is prayed that Committees may be constituted in every taluk, and lands selected by these Committees as fit in the Amrut Mahal Kavals, State Forests and Date Reserves, may be ordered to be surrendered to the Revenue Department for disposal to raiyats.

Withdrawn.

SUBJECT No. 11.

Grant of lands to the depressed classes at concession rates.

Mr. B. Venkataramanaiya, Chiknayakanhalli Taluk.

Mr. B. Venkataramanaiya pointed out that, if it was really the intention of Government to help depressed classes by the grant of lands, the best way to carry out the intention was by giving the lands free to them instead of putting them to auction, as in the latter case, it was only the rich people that would bid for and secure the lands.

Mr. H. Krishna Sastry pleaded that in granting lands either free or at concession rates, landless classes of all communities should be preferred and not merely those belonging to the depressed communities.

Mr. Karnick Krishna Murthi Rao said that, if the people to whom such lands were granted were to derive real benefit, such lands should be made inalienable. *Mr. Vema Reddy* did not approve of this proposal while *Mr. C. Srinivasa Rao* thought that it would be enough if the lands were made inalienable for a period of 10 years instead of in perpetuity.

Mr. R. Gopalaswami Iyer suggested that the lands that were available for being given to members of the depressed classes should be properly notified and the Inspectors of Co-operative Societies should be deputed to help these classes in regard to the improvement of the lands given to them.

The Dewan admitted that the depressed classes had a real grievance in the matter of getting lands for cultivation and he had noticed in the course of his tour that many *darkhasts* for lands from members of those classes were pending disposal. He promised to go into the matter in consultation with the Revenue Commissioner and pass orders modifying the Darkhast Rules in the case of the depressed classes.

SUBJECT No. 12.

Receipt Patta books to be printed in moderate size.

Mr. S. Venkatasami Gowda, Malur Taluk.

Mr. S. Venkatasami Gowda pleaded for the issue of small size leather-bound patta books in place of the present large size ones which were liable to be torn very soon.

The Dewan said that as soon as the old stock of those books was exhausted, new books of a better type which were in print would be introduced.